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345,018	2,162,523	3,629,982	5,212,918
373,794	3,017,969	3,674,081	5,214,885
420,668	3,060,521	3,677,322	5,251,413
668,748	3,330,611	3,866,365	5,272,848
756,091	3,387,413	4,047,337	5,450,694
	3,402,515	4,161,850	5,515,899
	3,438,421	4,192,106	6,009,930

PUBLICATIONS

Catalog Divider Plus Office Partitions by Advanced Office Concepts, Inc., dated 2001.

Catalog describes panels on wheels that are not articulated. The product does not have a plurality of hinged panels on wheels that can be expanded from a collapsed condition to form a partition.

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GB 420,320

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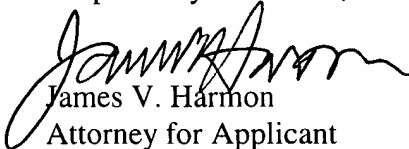
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